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In re US Patent Application of:)	Electronically Filed	
Bennett C. WARD, et al)	Confirmation No. 9481	
Application No.: 10/790,494)	Group Art Unit: 1723	
Filing Date: March 1, 2004)	Examiner: A. Fortuna	
Title: BICOMPONENT FIBER WICK)		

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is an Amendment and Response to the Official Action dated November 6, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

- [X] A petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- [] A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) is also enclosed.
- [X] No additional claim fee is required.
- An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

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	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	9	Minus 21 =	0	x \$50.00 =	C
Independent Claims	1	Minus 3 =	0	x \$200.00 =	C
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$260.00					(
Total Amendment Fee					(
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					(

- [] Charge \$____ to Deposit Account No. 08-3436 for the fee due.
- [] Check No. in the amount of \$0 is enclosed for the fee due.
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- [] Self-addressed stamped postcard.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3436.

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